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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application

1-30 (cancelled)

31. (currently amended) A compound represented by the following formula:

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein:

X1 - X3 are independently Cor N;

X4 is CH-or N, wherein not more than two of X4 - X4 is N;

 $X^6 - X^8$ are independently C-or N;

X9 is CH or N, wherein not more than two of X6-X9-is N;

 X^5 is N, R^5 is a lone pair, and X^{10} is CH, when the bond between X^5 and X^{10} is a double bond; or

 X^5 is CH, R^5 is H, and X^{10} is CH₂, when the bond between X^5 and X^{10} is a single bond; or

 X^5 is C, R^5 is defined below, and X^{10} is CH, when the bond between X^5 and X^{10} is a double bond:

R¹-R³-and R⁶-R⁸-represent a lone pair or O when each respective X¹-X³-and X⁶-X⁸-is
N; or

when $X^1 - X^3$ or $X^6 - X^8$ is C, each respective $R^1 - R^3$ and $R^6 - R^8$ is independently selected from the group consisting of:

- a) H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl, halogen, azido, cyano, nitro, or NR²¹R²², wherein R²¹ represents H or C(1-8) alkyl, and R²² represents H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkylcarbonyl, substituted or unsubstituted arylcarbonyl, heterocycle, substituted or unsubstituted heteroarylcarbonyl, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkylaminocarbonyl, substituted or unsubstituted arylaminocarbonyl;
- b) OR²³, wherein R²³ is H, substituted or unsubstituted alkylcarbonyl, substituted or unsubstituted arylcarbonyl;
- c) SR²³, wherein R²³ is defined as in b);
- d) O(CH₂)_j-R²⁴, O(CH₂)_j-O-R²⁴, or O(CH₂)_j-S-R²⁴, wherein j is an integer from 1 to 8, and R²⁴ is selected from the group consisting of H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl;
- e) $S(CH_2)_j R^{24}$, $S(CH_2)_j O R^{24}$, or $S(CH_2)_j S R^{24}$, wherein j and R^{24} are defined as in d);
- f) C=C-R²⁵, C=C-OR²⁵, or C=C-CO₂R²⁵, wherein R²⁵ is H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, or substituted heteroaryl;
- g) CH=CH-R²⁵, CH=CH-OR²⁵, or CH=CH-CO₂R²⁵, having a stereochemistry of E or Z, and R²⁵ is defined as in f);
- h) C=C-NR²⁵R²⁶ or C=CCONR²⁵R²⁶, wherein R²⁵ is defined as in f), and R²⁶ is defined as R²⁵, and R²⁵ and R²⁶ are selected independently;
- i) CH=CH-NR²⁵R²⁶ or CH=CHCONR²⁵R²⁶, having a stereochemistry of E or Z, wherein R²⁵ and R²⁶ are independently defined as in h);
- j) $(CH_2)_k R^{25}$, $(CH_2)_k$ -COOR²⁵, or $(CH_2)_k$ -OR²⁵, wherein k is an integer from 2 to 6 and R²⁵ is defined as in f);
- k) (CH₂)_kNR²⁵R²⁶, (CH₂)_kCONR²⁵R²⁶, wherein R²⁵ and R²⁶ are selected independently, and R²⁵ and R²⁶ are defined as R²⁵ in f); and
- CH₂XR²⁷, wherein X is O or S and R²⁷ is H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl;

R4 is selected from the group consisting of:

m) H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl; and

n)

wherein X=O, S, or NH, n=1 to 4; and wherein R⁵¹ is H; R⁵² and R⁵³ are independently chosen from the group consisting of H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8)alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, or R⁵¹ and R⁵² are combined to form a heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heteroaryl, or substituted heteroaryl ring system;

R⁵ is selected from the group consisting of:

e) a lone pair when X⁵ is N; or

when X⁵ is C, R⁵ is selected from the group consisting of:

p) H, substituted and unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl; and

q)

wherein X=O, S, or NH, n=1 to 4; and wherein R⁵¹ is H; R⁵² and R⁵³ are independently chosen from the group consisting of H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, or R⁵¹ and R⁵² are combined to form a heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heteroaryl, or substituted heteroaryl ring system; or.

wherein when R¹-R³ and R⁵-R⁸ are H, and R⁴ is H or CH₃, then at least one of X¹ — X⁹ represents a ring member other than carbon.

32. (currently amended) A compound, according to claim $\underline{3}1$, in which $X^1 - X^3$ are independently C.

33. (currently amended) A compound, according to claim 31, in which X^4 is CH.

34. (currently amended) A compound, according to claim 31, in which $X^6 - X^8$ are independently C.

35. (currently amended) A compound, according to claim 31, in which X^9 is CH or N.

36. (currently amended) A compound, according to claim 31, in which X^5 is C, X^{10} is CH and the bond between X^5 and X^{10} is a double bond.

37. (withdrawn) A compound, according to claim 31, in which X^5 is N, R^5 is a lone pair, X^{10} is CH and the bond between X^5 and X^{10} is a double bond.

38. (currently amended) A compound, according to claim $\underline{31}$, in which X^5 is CH, R^5 is H, X^{10} is CH₂ and the bond between X^5 and X^{10} is a single bond.

39. (currently amended) A compound having the following formula:

wherein X^5 is C-or N, and X^1-X^3 , X^4 , X^6-X^8 , R^1-R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^6-R^8 are as defined in claim 31.

40 [[10]]. (currently amended) A compound having the following formula:

wherein X1-X3, X4, X6-X8, R1-R3, R4, R5 and R6-R8 are as defined in claim 31.

41[[11]]. (withdrawn) A compound having the following formula:

wherein X^1-X^3 , X^4 , X^6-X^8 , R^1-R^3 , R^4 , R^5 and R^6-R^8 are as defined in claim $\underline{3}1$.

42[[12]]. (currently amended)A compound having the following formula:

wherein X1-X3, X4, X6-X8, R1-R3, R4, R5 and R6-R8 are as defined in claim 31.

43[[13]]. (currently amended)A compound, according to claim $\underline{3}1$, in which when $X^1 - X^3$ or $X^6 - X^8$ is C, each respective $R^1 - R^3$ and $R^6 - R^8$ is independently selected from the group consisting of:

- a) H, halogen;
- b) OR²³, wherein R²³ is H, substituted or unsubstituted alkylcarbonyl, substituted or unsubstituted arylcarbonyl; and
- d) O(CH₂)_j-R²⁴, O(CH₂)_j-O-R²⁴, or O(CH₂)_j-S-R²⁴, wherein j is an integer from 1 to 8, and R²⁴ is selected from the group consisting of H, substituted or

unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl, substituted or unsubstituted aryl, substituted or unsubstituted heteroaryl.

44[[14]]. (currently amended)A compound, according to claim $\underline{31}$, in which R^4 is selected from the group consisting of:

m) H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl; and

n)

wherein X=O, S, or NH, n=2; and wherein R⁵¹ is H; R⁵² and R⁵³ are independently chosen from the group consisting of H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8)alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, or R⁵¹ and R⁵² are combined to form a heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heteroaryl, or substituted heteroaryl ring system.

45[[15]]. (currently amended)A compound, according to claim 44[[14]], in which R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of:

m) H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl; and

n)

wherein X=S, n=2; and wherein R⁵¹ is H; R⁵² and R⁵³ are both H, or R⁵¹ and R⁵² are combined to form a heteroaryl ring system.

46[[16]]. (currently amended) A compound, according to claim 45[[15]], in which R⁴ is selected from the group consisting of: H, methyl, CH₂CH₂CH₂OH,

CH2CH2CH2NH2, CH2CH2CH2N3, CH2CH2CH2SC(=NH)NH2 and

 $\underline{47}[[17]]$. (withdrawn) A compound, according to claim $\underline{3}1$, in which X^5 is N and R^5 is a lone pair.

48[[18]]. (currently amended)A compound, according to claim $\underline{3}1$, in which X^5 is C or CH, and R^5 is selected from the group consisting of:

p) H, substituted and unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl; and

q)

wherein X=S, n=2; and wherein R⁵¹ is H; R⁵² and R⁵³ are independently chosen from the group consisting of H, substituted or unsubstituted C(1-8) alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, or R⁵¹ and R⁵² are combined to form a heteroalkyl, substituted heteroalkyl, heteroaryl, or substituted heteroaryl ring system.

49[[19]]. (currently amended) A compound, according to claim 48[[18]], in which X⁵ is C or CH, and R⁵ is selected from the group consisting of H, methyl, CH₂CH₂CH₂OH, CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂N(CH₃), CH₂CH₂CH₂N₃,

50[[20]]. (currently amended) A compound, according to the following formula

selected from the group consisting of:

Cpd.	Bond between X ⁵ /X ¹⁰	₽³	₹ 50	RZ	X⁵/R ⁵	×°	X ¹⁰	
121	Double	H	-OH	H	CH	CH	CH	٦.
124	_Double_	BnO	-OH	H	CH	CH	CH	7
125	Double	H	-OH	H	CMe	CH	CH	٦.
126	Double	H	- OH	BnO	CH	CH	CH	٦,
127	Double	H	-0H	H	CH	CH	GMe	┦.
128	Double	H	-OH	Ħ	N	CH	CH	٦.
129	Double	BnO	-OH	Ħ	CMe	CĦ	CH	٦.
130	Double	H	-OH	H	CH	N	CH	٦.
131	Double	BnO	-OH	H	CH	CH	CMe	7
132	Double	H	-OH	F	CH	CH	CH	7
433	Double	H	-N(CH ₃) ₂	H	CH	CH	CH	٦,
136	Double	Bn⊖	-N(CH ₃) ₂	Ħ	CH	CH	CH	٦,
137	Double	H	-N(CH ₃) ₂	H	CMe	CH	CH	٦,
138	Double	Ħ	-N(CH ₃) ₂	BnO	CH	CH	CH	٦,
139	Double	#	-N(CH ₂) ₂	Ħ	C₩	CH	GMe	٦;
140	Double	Ħ	-N(CH ₃) ₂	Ħ	N.	CH	CH	٦;
141	Double	8 _n O	-N(CH ₃) ₂	H	CMe	CH	CH	٦ :
142	Double	Ħ	-N(CH ₃) ₂	H	CH	4	CH	٦
143	_ Double	H	-SC(=NH)NH ₂	H	CH	CH	CH	7
146	Double	H	SC(=NH)NH2	H	CMe	CH	CH	۱:
147	Double	H	SC(=NH)NH ₂	BnO	CH	CH	CH	٦;
148	Double	BnO	-SC(=NH)NH ₂	Ħ	CH	CH	GH	٦;
149	Double	BnO	-SC(=NH)NH ₂	H	€H	CMe	CH	٦;
150	Double	BnO	-SC(=NH)NH2	Ħ	CH	€ H	CMe	1 :
151	Deuble	H	SC(=NH)NH2	Ħ	CH	GH	CMe	֓֞֟֝֝֝֝֝֝֝֝ <u>֚֚֚</u>
152	Double	# .	SC(=NH)NH ₂	H	CH	N	CH	٦ ;
153	Double	MeQ	-SC(=NH)NH₂	H	CH	CH	CH	1 :
154	Double	Ę	-SC(=NH)NH₂	Ħ	CH	CH	CH	1 :
155	Double	H	-SC(=NH)NH2	£	CH	€ H	CH] :

Cpd.	Bond between X ⁵ /X ¹⁰	₽3	₽ ⁵⁰	R ²	X ⁶ /R ⁶	X 9	X ₁₀	
156	Double	H	S N	Ħ	CH	CH	CH	÷
159	Single	Ħ	-SC(=NH)NH ₂	Ħ	CH₂	CH	GH₂	i ;
160	Double	OCH₂S Ph	-SC(=NH)NH₂	Ħ	CH	CH	CH	†
161	Double	Ħ	-N ₃	H	CH	CH	CH	;-and
162	Double	Ħ	-NH2	Ħ	CĦ	CH	CH	-

51[[21]]. (currently amended)A compound according to the following formula:

selected from the group-consisting of:

Example	R³	₽ ⁶⁰	₽₹	R ⁴	1
163	H	OH	Ħ	Ħ	-
164	H	OH	Ħ	Me	- +
165	BnO	OH	H	H	⊢ ;
166	H	SC(≂NH)NH ₃	H	H	┤ ;
167	Ħ	SC(≃NH)NH ₂	Ħ	Me	-
168	BnO	SC(=NH)NH ₂	H	Me	┤÷
169	H	N(CH ₃) ₂	Ħ	Me	┤ ;
170	H	S-N	H.	Me	- - -
171	Ħ	Na	Ħ	Me	÷an
172	H	NH ₂	H	Me	١,

52[[22]].(currently amended) A composition comprising a compound, according to claim 31, in combination with carrier.

53[[23]]. (withdrawn) The composition, according to claim 52[[22]], further including a chemotherapeutic agent.

<u>54</u>[[24]]. (withdrawn) The composition, according to claim <u>52</u>[[22]], further including a cytokine.

55[[25]]. (withdrawn) The composition, according to claim 52[[22]], further including anti-sense oligonucleotides.

<u>56</u>[[26]]. (withdrawn) A method of treating an inflammatory disorder, the method comprising: administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound or a composition, according to claim <u>31</u> or <u>52</u>[[22]], so as to treat the disorder.

<u>57</u>[[27]]. (withdrawn) A method of treating cancer, the method comprising: administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound or a composition, according to claim <u>31</u> or <u>52</u>[[22]], so as to treat the cancer.

<u>58</u>[[28]]. (withdrawn) A method of treating a cell proliferative disorder, the method comprising: administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound or a composition, according to claim <u>31</u> or <u>52</u>[[22]], so as to treat the disorder.

<u>59</u>[[29]]. (withdrawn) A method of treating cancer, the method comprising: administering to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound or a composition, according to claim <u>31</u> or <u>52</u>[[22]], in combination with another chemotherapeutic agent.

<u>60</u>[[30]]. (withdrawn) Use of a compound or a composition, according to claim $\underline{31}$ or $\underline{52}$ [[22]], so as to induce apoptosis in Jurkat cells.

61[[31]]. (withdrawn) Use of a compound or a composition, according to claim 31 or 52[[22]], so as to induce apoptosis in cancer cell lines.

<u>62</u>[[32]]. (withdrawn) The use, according to claim 31, in which the cancer cell lines are prostate cancer and breast cancer cell lines

63[[33]]. (withdrawn) A method of treatment or prevention of a condition resulting from loss of growth and cellular differentiation control, the method comprising: administration to a subject in need thereof an effective amount of a compound or a composition, according to claim 31 or 52[[22]], so as to treat or prevent the condition.